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Mrs. Fitch Kelley Roots for G. O. P. Republican Committeewomen Out. For Big Game This Fall.

By KOBERT CRAWFORD.

Mr. John Hamilton, chairman of the Republican National Committee, has cotten out new streamlined models of the elephant, trade-mark of the G. O. P., with tail stiffened and extended and trunk sniffing to catch the direction of the wind, for the famous old pachyderm has evidently made up his mind that he is going to be in at the killing this fall. He has taken his stride early and now that the ides of November are almost here his activity increases. The big

house here this winter.

four composed of ex-President Hoover, ex-Candidate Landon, Col. Knox and Senator Vandenberg are putting in about 20 hours a day out of the 24 either speaking or meeting speaking engagements. It's quite some time since the country has been so aroused at a congressional election between presidential years. Even the women of the party are out for blood and demanding more "say" in the party

Mrs. William Fitch Kelley, former president of the District of Columbia League of Republican Women, has but recently returned from a summer spent in Illinois and Iowa, and appears to be highly elated over the prospects for a Republican victory in November-espe-

cially in her native State, Iowa. She reflects the opinions of her sister, Miss Martha McClure, national committeewoman from Iowa, and one of the most prominent party

Mrs. William Fitch Kelley. women in the West, where she has for some time wielded a strong influence in local and State politics. The two sisters are much alike in their devotion to the party of which both their grandfather and father were prominent members. They were reared on old-fashioned Republican doctrine and are rather dangerous adversaries from the fact that

they both have charming, cultured& speaking voices and discuss politics sculpture in the studio of the noted manner that one has to be on his artist Bourdelle. She is very modest guard lest he be convinced unawares. but has done some quite worthwhile about her achievements in sculpture piees and always keeps some work on Kelley urged closer affiliation between hand out at her studio house in Bethe members of the Republican Nathesda, Md. In her studio, which is tional Committee from the various a 2-century-old church, she some-States and the activities of the league. times held the meetings when presi-She is also very much interested in dent of the District league. the Young Republican Clubs, thinks their usefulness should be widened, for Mrs. Baur Illinois among them will be found the future National Committeewoman. leaders of the party. She says: "You In speaking of the national commitknow, I have some grandsons and a teewomen active in the present con-

charming granddaughter growing up gressional campaign, she said she did Simmons' first husband was Alfred The view from the windows of the out in Illinois." By the way, her son, not think they had ever brought to- Gwynne Vanderbilt, who was one of headquarters of the National Repub-McClure Kelley, married a niece of gether a finer body of women. Mrs. the victims of the sinking of the Lusi- lican Committee, on Lafayette Square, Count Catalani, son-in-law of Mrs. Kelley mentioned Mrs. Bertha D. Baur, tania. For her work during the World was never lovelier than it is this year. Henry Dimock, who will open her national committeewoman from Illi- War she was awarded the Victory The trees are beginning to turn and nois, who is noted for her political Medal by the Academy of Social Sci- there is a soft autumnal glow that sub-While Mrs. Kelley has always felt sagacity, executive ability and knowl- ence. Notwithstanding her prominence dues the ranting statute of Gen. Ana keen interest in politics, she says edge of finances. She called attention in social life, being one of the most drew Jackson, who looks right into she left college life and public activi- to the fact that Mrs. Baur is the only popular and brilliant hostesses at New- the windows of Mr. Hamilton's office. ties more to her sister Martha, who has woman honorary member of the Ham- port, she yet finds time for welfare ac- Then the chairman can look over at the a strong bent for organizing. They ilton Club of Chicago-one of the out- tivities and is much interested in civic White House, where it is reported that have both lived much abroad, where standing Republican men's clubs in affairs . . . and then we asked about the high hedge inside of the new iron they first went as young girls and the country . . . then Mrs. Ellen Mrs. Worthington Scranton of Penn- fence is to be removed. The hedge is where Mrs. Kelley later took up the French FitzSimmons, Republican com- sylvania—the worthy foe of Mrs. Emma on the lower east, west and south Prious study of art. Several years mitteewoman from Rhode Island, who Guffey Miller-who is one of the vice sides, but its removal will give the na-



MRS. LAVONNE COX.

Who, before her marriage recently in Hawaii, was Miss Ann Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hull Moore of this city. The bride was the guest of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Mason J. Young in Hawaii for some time before her wedding. Her husband is with the 3d Engineers at Scofield Barracks. —Harris-Ewing Photo.

working for his success at the polls in Dames of America. November.

It will be recalled that Mrs. Fitz- Headquarters Interesting. General to Italy, and after his death port and who is serving her fourth war record as a member of the Motor sibilities of 1940.

County Republican Women's Club in en of Pennsylvania were organized in which she has done yeoman service 1920 was made a member of the first for her party among the swanky re- Republican Women's Committee and sorters, and as a mother of Alfred was appointed a member of the Ex-Gwynne Vanderbilt, who is running ecutive Committee. She is a member for Governor of Rhode Island on the of the Colony Club of New York and Republican ticket this fall, she is is active in the Society of Colonial Visit to National

of her life were spent in Rome when planted those troublesome Wallace po- chairmen of the Republican National tional chairman a better view of the Mr. Kelley was United States Consul tatoes on her handsome lawn at New- Committee and who has also a fine delightful old mansion and all the poswhen her son was in Paris she studied term as president of the Newport Corps, and when the Republican wom-

woman from the Blue Grass Statebeautiful women, fine blooded horses and those delectable mint juleps—and were told that Mrs. Christine Bradley and much in demand as a public South, vice chairman of the Republican State Committee of Kentucky, who gained her first knowledge of publie affairs as a young girl in the Governor's Mansion during her father's administration as Governor. She took you to offer in the coming election?" an active part in his campaign; he was the first Republican candidate for party with zeal. Governor to overcome the normally big Democratic majority . . . Mrs. Bradley knows a bit about mules, too, for she often accompanied her father on muleback through the mountains of the State, where he received a large part of his vote . . . She was responsible for the first political organization among women in her State in 1916, when Chief Justice Hughes was the presidential candidate.

Ex-Congresswoman Pratt Is Outstanding.

The women of the National Committee point with pride to Mrs. Roy Wates, the party's youngest committeewoman, who has done fine work in organizing in Alabama . . . another Southern committeewoman is Mrs. Bertha M. Field of Marietta, Ga., who was born in Pennsylvania of German and Welsh parentage and who is the wife of Lt. Comdr. Horace A. Field U. S. N. . . Mrs. Ruth Baker Pratt, sometime member of the Lower House of Congress from New York, is well known in national politics and made a reputation as a hard worker when in Congress; as a member of the National Committee she often sits in the councils of her party...Mrs. Katharine K. Brown of Dayton, Ohio. is just now in the limelight and evidently believes that Ohio will return to its old and long love this fall and will send Robert Taft, eldest son of the late President Taft, to the Senate. His wife, who is treasurer of the National League of Women Voters, is one of the best-known women in

not recalled that she has ever held of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gee of Pocatillo, an elective office, she is widely known speaker . . . these are not half of the women on whom Mrs. Kelley is pinning her hopes in the November elections, but she was put on her mettle when asked, "Well, what have and she warmed to the women of her

Mrs. Kelley is small, with a charming presence, and has a delicious sense of humor. She has long been known as one of the Capital's delightful hostesses and her lovely house on Massachusetts avenue was noted for its artistic elegance. She now, when in this country, spends her winters largely at Wardman Park. Of distinguished ancestry on both the paternal and maternal sides, while her favorite metier is politics—Republican with a large "R"-she is interested in the D. A. R. and other patriotic societies. She loves Scotland and the Isle of Skye and is loyal to her border ancestors, the McClures, who emigrated to America and joined that large body of Covenanters in Permsylvania. Her Kentucky blood comes from Asbury Porter, who emigrated to Iowa and was a member of the first territorial Legislature of that State.

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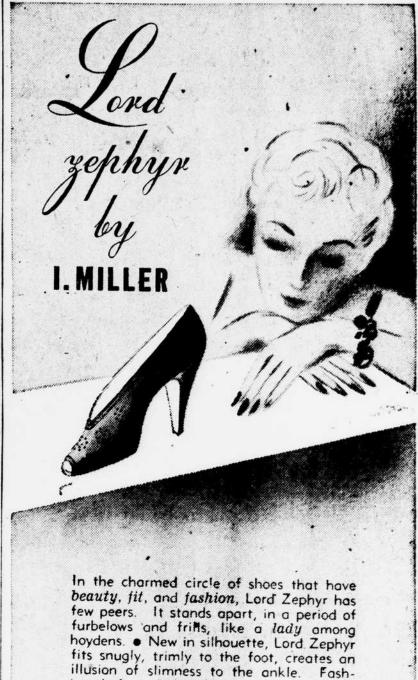
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